

MIAMI COUNTY PARK DISTRICT  
BOARD OF PARK COMMISSION MEETING

Tuesday, April 22, 2025  
Lost Creek Reserve Board Room  
9 a.m. Meeting Minutes

Present: Dr. Robert Malarkey, Jay Meyer, Elizabeth Gutmann, Scott Myers, Kevin Swanson, Cinda Hanbuch-Pinkerton, Dan Weaver, Dale Gade and Chris Thompson.

**MINUTES** – Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to approve the minutes from March 25, 2025, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

**BILLS AND RECEIPTS** - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to approve the bills and receipts as presented, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried. Mr. Meyer asked how to find the carry-over on the monthly report. Chris said it is at the top under beginning/ending balances.

**DONATIONS** – Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to accept the donation as presented, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. **RESOLUTION 1650-25** - Authorization for the Executive Director of the Miami County Park District to enter into an agreement with Wagner Paving Inc. to repair/resurface a portion of the Great Miami Recreational Trail at a final cost not to exceed \$15,134.00 - Mrs. Gutmann made a motion to approve Resolution 1650-25, seconded by Mr. Meyer, motion unanimously carried.

**OLD BUSINESS**

- A. Foundation – The Miami County Parks Forever board has put together a list of potential board members and will present a proposal to them for why they should join the board.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

- A. Staff Reports
  - a. Deputy Director - Kevin said the credit card compliance committee met April 17, 2025, to go over policies and concerns.

There was brief discussion about the deer survey at Hobart Urban Nature Preserve.

- b. Operations – Dan discussed the law enforcement accreditation. The park should be accredited within six months, and it will last for four years. This is a new program through the Ohio Collaborative, and we are the first park district to achieve this status.

Dale showed some photos of the flood damage. The Board of Park Commissioners agreed that the staff did an awesome job on the clean-up.

- c. Marketing – Amanda was absent
- d. Environmental Education – Cinda said they are busy with the Hug the Earth festival planning and are working on programs for tweens and teens.
- e. Executive – Scott said the Ranger position has been offered to Dexter Hicks, and he is going through all the required testing.

Elizabeth Gutmann motioned to enter executive session to discuss personnel and property, seconded by Mr. Meyer. The Board entered executive session at 10:16 a.m.

#### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Property & Personnel - There was no action taken during executive session. The Board returned to open session.

Elizabeth Gutmann motioned to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Jay Meyer, motion unanimously carried. The meeting was adjourned 10:45 a.m.

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J. Scott Myers

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Dr. Robert Malarkey